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## LOOKING FOR INCREASED REVENUES.

Here are Massachusetts and Connecticut looking for an increase of revenue, because state expenses have increased. In this state a state tax is favored as a means of increasing revenue. The state has been tried in Massachusetts and failed; and now Massachusetts desires to have one-half the fees from liquor licenses turned into the state treasury, which is a direct way of increasing local taxes and increasing the load of the taxpayer. Why not find a way to keep the state within its receipts? Connecticut has for years been reducing its debt and promising to become a surplus instead of a debtor state, but that idea appears to have been lost sight of. These crying state needs are always more imaginary than real.

## PLEASE TO LABOR.

The decision of the federal district court of appeals in the case of the Bucks Store and Range company against the American Federation of Labor, sustaining the injunction, has really recognizing the fact that in the way of trade papers freedom must be a crumb of comfort to the great labor leaders. While the "We Don't Patronize" column is condemned by the majority of the judges, the chief justice of the court is of the opinion that it is legal and agrees with the position taken by the labor leaders. Since the right to talk in the Federation about the relation of labor to the prosecuting company is pronounced legal there really appears to be no need of the "We Don't Patronize" column, and it could be dropped from view without in any way interfering with the purpose of the editor or labor leaders. The finding simply tells the Federation that it must change its methods.

## WELL-DISCIPLINED SCHOOL CHILDREN.

The State Pure Marsha's association of America is conducting a campaign in various states for the passage of a law like the Ohio state law making instruction in fire dangers compulsory in all the schools. The Ohio law is a brief but comprehensive measure. It provides that teachers in every public, parochial or private school must devote not less than five minutes more than ten minutes' time on one school day each week to the instruction of pupils between the ages of six and fourteen years on the subject of fire dangers. A textbook containing forty lessons on the subject, prepared by the state fire marshal and published at the expense of the state, is provided for by the law, and boards of education are charged with the duty of seeing to it that a chapter from this book is read one day every week in every room in all schools where the children taught are within the age limits fixed by the law. A teacher failing or refusing to comply with the provisions of the act is subject to a fine of not less than \$5 and not more than \$25.

## UNCLE SAM'S FINANCES.

The finances of Uncle Sam are sound in spite of the large deficit of 1908 and the howling of the calamity-tites. It is shown that the United States treasury has an available cash balance of \$127,297,256, not including any of the trust funds held for the redemption of silver and gold certificates, or the reserve fund of \$150,000,000 in gold coin and bullion. In addition, the national banks now owe the government over \$60,000,000. A western paper, opposed to any emergency scheme to increase the revenues, says: "Even if Uncle Sam's vest were to continue to shrink away from his trousers, he has enough spending money to keep him going for another year." The gap, however, is narrowing rather than widening. The receipts from customs and internal revenue are growing steadily larger than they were at a corresponding time a year ago.

## HE COULD BUY LAND CHEAPER.

There will always be opposition to the good roads movement and a great deal of the antagonism is founded upon selfishness rather than upon devotion to economy or lack of appreciation of a good thing. It is said that in Kansas a traveler, who had been a native, "You ought to have better roads here!" The roads were the worst over, but the native, being honest and frank, replied: "Hm! Not yet. I don't want no better roads now. I want to have a little more money and buy some more land before the roads are made better, 'cause I can buy land cheaper when the roads are bad." From a speculative standpoint this was one of the best reasons for delay, and it is not so infrequently a reason as some footloose imaginations.

## AS A WORD OF CHARITY FOR THE SEVERELY CRITICIZED SALOME GIRL OF THE COUNTRY.

A man has called attention to the fact that "they are wrapped up in love for their art," if afflicted in little else. President Taft, every Sunday, is showing the American people that he prefers to act like the everyday citizen rather than as a man of wealth and power. Not a St. Louis colonel was blown from his horse during the inaugural parade at Washington, and that city feels proud of this fact.

Those who dislike Roosevelt are still blaming him for things which he is not guilty of.

## NEW ENGLAND'S OLD ORCHARDS.

New England's old orchards may be its pride, but its young orchards are its reliable source of revenue. The orchard, like the hen, is on too many farms left to take care of itself. A Vermont paper says: "If some farmer fifteen years ago had fenced in ten acres of this pasture land and begun planting the plot to some of the standard winter apple trees, giving to the orchard the same care and attention received by his meadow land, he would today have a source of income that would make him the envy of the farmer. If the orchard is neglected, it is made now there are many reasons to believe that the results will be even more satisfactory fifteen years hence."

## IRELAND AS A PATRON.

Consul Culver of Cork reports to the state department at Washington that there is an opportunity for an increase of trade with Ireland by direct communication which will cheapen the goods. He says: "Like other people, unacquainted with American products, they require actual proof of the quality and excellence of the goods but when once convinced they are not slow to adopt them."

There is certainly a field here for many American manufacturers and natural products, such as farming tools and machinery, household articles of convenience and economy, cheese, ham and bacon, fruits, nuts, canned goods, cotton and cotton goods, furniture and novelties in all lines. This climate is well adapted to the storage of apples and oranges, being always cool, but never freezing hard enough to injure fruit. Large quantities of these fruits are consumed here. The apples now on the market come mostly from Canada, with some from the Pacific coast states, while the oranges come from Spain, Italy and Turkey.

Passage or Cork should be made the headquarters from which to distribute American food, corn and wheat throughout Ireland.

## THE WORK OF A GREAT ARTIST.

Eastern Connecticut artists and those who appreciate meritorious work will be interested in the exhibition of the Sorolla collection of pictures which is soon to be made in Boston. "The exhibition of pictures by the Spanish artist Sorolla, which will soon be seen in this city," says the Boston Record, "drew 150,000 New York visitors in a month, and every picture has been sold with prices amounting to over \$300,000. Such appreciation of a foreign artist little known in this country up to a month ago may not cheer the American artists. They are interested to see the development of artistic taste, but not in a way that 'appreciates' anything foreign and is indifferent to the American product." The way in which these pictures have met public favor make them of unusual interest and will attract to them in New England general attention.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

It has been decided that an alderman's bay window is not hygienic although it may be in style.

Uncle Joe Cannon's overshoot jaw shows that he is safe to hitch to. He stands where others would flee.

"Happy thought for today: If Satan did not get you yesterday, make up your mind to so live today that he cannot."

At Nashville, Tenn., a man must have the title "Colonel" before he will be recognized as fit for a newspaper reporter.

Japan was so interested in Taft's inaugural that his address in full was cabled under the oceans the day it was delivered.

Senator Bulkeley gives notice that he will be in the race for the senatorship in 1911. He doesn't consider his years against him.

England thinks that four Dreadnoughts are enough for construction this year. It is all that the English people can really stand.

In South Carolina a Hong Kong gander that has laid three eggs since the 14th of March is pronounced to be a fake. They are not all at sea.

The insurgents are brave men, for they know that if Speaker Cannon gets them where he can sit on them he will sit down hard, and stay "set."

A Chicago civil engineer carried off first prize as a designer of a woman's hat. The latest styles look as if civil engineers had designed all of them.

The Easter egg circulation promises to be somewhat restrained this year on account of the inability of the hen to meet the requirements of the people.

Why should it require five months to tinker a tariff which is reported to congress to be as carefully prepared as able and competent men can prepare it?

New York finds that many of the male elopers are agents for the respectable houses of the red light districts, luring girls to their destruction.

The fact that President Taft is ever looking for good words and good deeds is one of the reasons that he is going to have a successful administration.

"I was so sorry," said Mrs. Oldcastle, "to hear of your mother's death. Typhoid fever is such a hard disease for old people to recover from." "Yes," replied her hostess as she adjusted her \$7.000 tiara. "Ma did have a very hard time, but she's adolescent now—thank goodness."—Chicago Record-Herald.

ONCE WASTE—NOW WEALTH. Twenty-five years ago cotton seed was thrown away as absolutely worthless. Today, products representing the enormous total of \$150,000,000 are made from this once-despised cotton seed. Improved processes of crushing and refining the oil have resulted in a product equal to the purest olive oil in nutritive value. From it is produced a cooking fat (called Cottolene) which is claimed by physicians to be purer and much more wholesome than lard, and it is much more economical as well. As this fact becomes generally known the use of cotton seed oil in the form of Cottolene will be practically unlimited.

## THE BULLETIN'S DAILY STORY

### HE'S WORRYING.

"What are you looking so heavy about?" asked the stout citizen of the depressed-looking person, jocularly. "I'm not sleeping well," replied the depressed-looking person. "I'm lying awake wondering if I'm not going to be turned out on the street, and if I am, what kind of weather we'll have. I'm afraid the children will suffer from exposure."

"You haven't lost your job, have you?" asked the stout citizen, with some concern.

"My job's all right," the depressed-looking person answered. "I never worry about that. I think if they fired me they'd have some trouble finding a couple of good men to do my work. The thing that's interfering with my appetite is May 1. I've got to move whether I want to or not. The agent came up the other evening and asked me if I didn't want to renew my lease and I told him that I wouldn't live in his dog-hole another year if he let me have it rent free. May 1 sees my chattels on the sidewalk."

"You're not the only one," the stout citizen admitted. "I know. I've got to move whether I want to or not. They'll have new homes in prospect."

"I don't you?"

"I don't look to me as if we should. We had trouble enough finding a place last year and I know the situation hasn't improved. Oh, you won't go anywhere, but just think of the kind of place it's going to be. Inconvenient, out of repair—"

"How do you know?"

"Aren't they always out of repair? Of course they are. Do you imagine we're going to be lucky enough to find a better place? No, sir, there's going to be no roaches in that flat, the range won't work, the

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

### A Good Law to Practically Honor.

Mr. Editor:—I would like to call attention to your readers to a law which I think is very little understood by those who should be interested in it and benefited by its operation. By its provisions all our country roads must be made beautiful avenues of shade with no essential cost to the owners of the abutting property.

Sec. 1419 of the revised statutes of Connecticut reads:

"Every person, planting, protecting and cultivating elm, maple, tulip, ash, basswood, oak, black walnut, hickory, apple, pear or cherry trees, not more than sixty feet apart, for three years, shall be entitled to receive an annual bounty thereafter from the state of ten cents for each tree, but such bounty shall not be paid for longer than such trees are maintained."

Every one who drives or walks over our country roads becomes painfully aware of the lack of shade on the hot summer days. There are, too, sufficient exceptions in the way of fine country roads to show the contrast. Some of our "forebears," either with or without a bounty, put the present generation greatly in their debt in this respect.

The sugar maple is by all odds the most successful tree for a permanent ornament, as is clearly evident by such specimens as are found on Scotland road to Lebanon, on Wawucum Hill, and in many other directions. Its freedom from disease and the ease of transplanting it around the laws so that its shade and beauty are preserved are facts of food that favor the propagation of poisonous germs.

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